ST. PETER MACOMB LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

KEYNOTES

October 2025

Our mission is to glorify God by making and growing disciples of Jesus Christ.

"Seasons change, but God does not"

Whenever I think of October I always think of fall, the changing of colors, and getting to wear my favorite hoodies and sweatshirts. Trees get to be their most beautiful, in my eyes, with their brilliant and vibrant reds and golds. Fall or Autumn is a season of change, one that we see, feel, and often welcome into our home with pumpkin scented or flavored everything.

When we look at change in our own lives, however, we do not always feel as excited or okay with it as we do with the seasons. In our lives changes can be unexpected: a job loss, a child leaving home, the passing of a loved one, or even the slow creeping sensation that things are not the way they used to be. While some changes bring joy, others can leave us feeling unsettled or even fearful.

So how do we remain grounded when the world—and our lives—seem to be constantly shifting?

The answer, thankfully, is not found in controlling our circumstances, but in trusting the One who never changes. "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever." Hebrews 13:8

God is our steady anchor. When winds of change blow through our lives in unexpected or even unwanted ways, He remains firm. In a world that can feel uncertain, our faith is not in what is temporary, but in the eternal love and presence of our unchanging God. "I the Lord do not change. So you, the descendants of Jacob, are not destroyed." Malachi 3:6

Autumn and fall time are a powerful reminder that letting go is a part of life, and part of our faith journey. Just as trees release their leaves to prepare for a season of recharging, there are times when we are called to let go as well. This might mean releasing control, surrendering a worry, or trusting God when you are not sure what comes next. "There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens." Ecclesiastes 3:1

Change isn't always easy, but it can be sacred. It's often through change that God shapes us, strengthens our faith, and deepens our dependence and reliance on Him. When we trust that He is at work—even when we can't see it—we find peace in the process. "And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love Him" Romans 8:28

In the midst of change, we are not left to face uncertainty alone. God is not only unchanging—He is also present. He walks with us through every season, offering His guidance. "God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea" Psalm 46:1-2

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Our hope in Christ is not wishful thinking, rather it is our confidence rooted in God's character. While everything else may shift around us, His promises remain: "The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of our God will stand forever." Isaiah 40:8

Lord, as seasons change around me, remind me that You never do. Help me to trust You more deeply, release what I cannot control, and help me to walk by faith and not by sight. Thank you for being my constant comfort and my guide. Amen.

Whatever this season or change that comes next, holds for you—whether beauty, loss, renewal, or uncertainty—may you find peace in knowing that the God of the universe, the God who made the seasons is holding you through them all.

God's unchanging love be shown to you and your loved ones constantly.

Pastor Dante Pronsati

Upcoming:

October 5 - LWML Sunday, Blessing of the guilts & blankets

October 5 - Life Sunday

October 5 - Life Chain, 1:00 p.m.

October 10-12 - Men's Retreat

October 17-19 - Jr. High Confirmation Camp

October 26 - New Members Received, 11:00 a.m.

October 26 - Voters' Meeting, 12:30 p.m., Fellowship Hall

For additional information about any of upcoming services and events, please contact our Church Office at (586) 781-3434, or go to stpetermacomb.com.

Note From the Editor: October is Pastor Appreciation Month—specifically,
October 12 is Pastor Appreciation Day! We are so grateful for Pastor Wenzelburger
& Pastor Pronsati, as well as our retired Pastor Emeriti.
We thank God for blessing St. Peter with such awesome pastors!

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP	MODERN WORSHIP	LIVESTREAM
Saturday - 6:00 p.m. Sunday - 8:00 a.m. & 9:30 a.m.	Sunday - 11:00 a.m.	Sunday - 9:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Worship

Children's Hymns - Not Just for Children!

And calling to him a child, he put him in the midst of them and said, "Truly, I say to you, unless you turn and become like children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. Whoever humbles himself like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven.

Matthew 18:2-4

Greetings in Christ!

Most months for my Keynotes article, I will write about a specific hymn and the history, context, and meaning of the text. Some hymns are written in a devotional style, yet others have a "teaching" (didactic) emphasis. The music of the Church can be one of the most appreciated and "taken-to-heart" components of our life together in the Church.

While we may understand and appreciate hymns of varying age, length, or style, it is true that there are some hymns that seem oriented more towards children. Usually, these hymns are shorter and have straightforward texts and melodies. Some of the common words might include "little" and "child." For many of us, these hymns are the first ones we learn and prove to be nostalgic for us as adults – think "Jesus Loves Me" or "I Am Jesus' Little Lamb." They are not simply nostalgic, though – they remain relevant and beautiful throughout our lives. They help us to proclaim the truth of God's Word in simple, confident, and solid ways. Just as Jesus told his disciples to become like children, these hymns allow us as adults to sincerely and simply confess our faith as children.

Hymns, appropriately, are among the best songs for children. Most importantly, they teach children about Jesus. Many of us were sung these songs as children and go on to sing them to our children – as the words are planted in our heads, we are taught simply but beautifully that God loves us, and that His love in Christ will not depart from us, no matter what may happen in life. This can be a difficult concept for children – eventually, we learn of life's hardships and face the fact that one day, we will die. "I Am Jesus' Little Lamb" presents this in a comforting way – "And when my short life is ended, By His angel host attended, He shall fold me to His breast, There within His arms to rest." Life is short and it will end, but as God's children, He will gather us to Himself in heaven.

In these "children's" hymns, we find simple and straightforward truth. Jesus tells us that we will face difficulties in this world, but that we can take heart as He has overcome the world (John 16:33). His love for us knows no bounds, and in these hymns, we are reminded of this throughout our lives, from infancy to our last days. Jesus loves us. this we know!

In His Service, Charlie Russell, Director of Traditional Music



Robert's Music Spotlight

This month I wanted to share with you the song "So So Good" by Elevation Worship. If you're looking for a joyful, uplifting worship song to close out the summer and welcome the fall season, this is the song for you. There's no denying the brokenness that we see in the world right now. I have felt its weight and I know that many of you have felt it as well. As we look right into the eyes of a very challenging time, I would like to remind you that we serve a God who remains faithful and good. (Exodus 34:6, 1 Chronicles 16:34 and Psalm 23:6) I challenge you that as we get closer to the holiday season, with Thanksgiving right around the corner, try to take time to reflect on the goodness of God. Think on His blessings, both big and small, and meditate on His Word. (Psalm 1:1-6, Joshua 1:8, and Psalm 119:11) Let's finish 2025 with hearts that are filled with thanksgiving for the absolute endless blessings that God has already given us. He truly is so, so good.

Robert W. Costa, *Director of Modern Worship*

Service

Building Together

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Women's Ministry is collecting humanitarian items such as:

- hotel size lotions
- shampoos
- conditioners
- dental floss
- toothbrushes
- mouthwash

Any of these items can be dropped into the LWR bin in the Church Coat Room. We also collect used eyeglasses for MOST MINISTRIES and cancelled postage stamps for WOUNDED WARRIORS all year long. They can be deposited into the appropriate drawers in the Church Coat Room.

Thank you for your support with these much needed ministries. Joyce Schwark/St. Peter LWML Rep. (586) 524-9328

Lutheran World Relief Baby Kits We will be collecting items for the Lutheran World Relief Baby Kits from now through September. Most needed items are:

- cloth diapers
- receiving blankets
- cotton t-shirts
- long or short-sleeved gowns or sleepers
- sweaters or sweatshirts with or without a hood

If you are able to donate any of the above items, they can be deposited into the LWR bin in the church coat room. Many of these Kits are being sent to flood and hurricane victims in the U.S. Thanking you in advance for your support.

Questions: contact Joyce Schwark, St. Peter Lutheran Women in Mission Rep. (586) 524-9328

"Where can I find more serving opportunities?"

- Check out our Serve, Learn, & Grow and In The Know pages at stpetermacomb.com.
- Check out our weekly bulletins (available at worship services and online).
- Follow our social media pages: Facebook & Instagram (@stpetermacomb).
- Join our Facebook group: St. Peter Plugged In.



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SAVE THE DATE: Saturday, October 18, is the date for this year's Chene Street October Outreach Event at Peacemakers International in Detroit. Please mark your calendar to join us and be a part of this wonderful outreach opportunity.

We will be sharing the love of Jesus, donated clothing, and serving a hot meal to the homeless men and women who attend.

Items needed for the October 18 Outreach:

- ONLY men and women sizes of warm, fall and winter clothing
- · Women's underwear (any size) and socks
- Men's ONLY boxer briefs style underwear (any size) and socks
- Sweatshirts and sweatpants in any adult size.
- · Warm winter coats, boots, hats, and gloves
- Blankets, quilts, and comforters ONLY in regular and queen sizes (new or clean gently used)

Wednesday, October 1, we will begin accepting donations of clothing. Wednesday, October 15, at 6:00 p.m. we will begin sorting all of the collected clothing items in the Narthex. A box labeled: "Clothing Donations for Chene Street" will be located in the Crossroads of the school.

May God continue to richly bless us as we prepare to bless men and women, who are much less fortunate than we are.

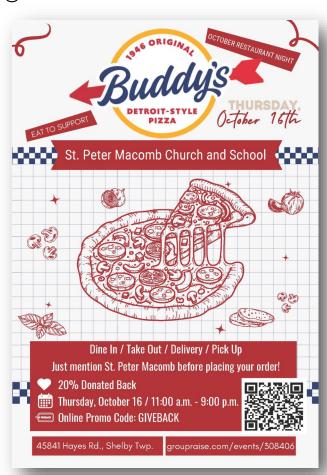
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Contact Rhonda Fiebelkorn at (586) 925-2203 or rhondaf85@hotmail.com for more information.

More ways to help us Build Together!

Some of our St. Peter families have offered for a percentage of their businesses' sales to go to our Building Together expansion fund. If you would like to join our list, please reach out to our Church Office or Finance Department at (586) 781-3434.

- Air-Tite Replacement Co Inc. Air-Tite
 Replacement Co Inc. (Window and Door Sales and
 Custom Installation) will donate 10% of the contract
 price to the building campaign for St. Peter church
 members and school families. Non-member
 contracts referred by church or school families will
 receive a 5% donation. (586) AIR-TITE
- Hauss-Modetz Funeral Home, Macomb and Tiffany-Young & Hauss Funeral Home – Armada will donate 10% of the service charge to the Building Together Campaign for St. Peter Church and School families. Non-Members that are referred by church families will receive a donation of 5% of the service charge. Macomb – (586) 263-3100 Armada – (586) 784-9123 haussmodetz@gmail.com



Memorial Offerings

In loving memory of Charlie Kirk, a contribution has been given to: <u>New</u> <u>Building fund</u> by: Todd & Ranae Ladson

In loving memory of Janice Sheridan, a contribution has been given to: <u>New</u> <u>Building fund</u> by: Lisa McCormack and Kathleen Mow

In loving memory of Barbara Heckman, a contribution has been given to: New Building fund by: Jim Schwark and Roy & Joyce Schwark

In loving memory of Dolores Marosan,
a contribution has been given to: New
Building fund, to Church Ministry fund,
to the Endowment fund, and to the
Music/Organ fund by: Ed & Linda
Dunklau, Karen Gluski, Terance &
Rhonda Fiebelkorn, and Duane &
Ruthann Bettcher

In loving memory of Sharon Greiser, a contribution has been given to: New Building fund by: Lynne and Patricia Wegner

In loving memory of Judy Buchanan, a contribution has been given to: New Building fund by: Lynne and Patricia Wegner

In loving memory of Rosemarie
Salinger, a contribution has been given
to: Church Ministry fund and to the
Music/Organ fund by: Larry Salinger

In loving memory of Al Dopp,
a contribution has been given to: New
Building fund by: Wilma Wangelin

Thank Offerings

For the 57th wedding anniversary of Stuart & Mary Arends, a contribution has been given to: Endowment fund by:
Stuart & Mary Arends

For the 62nd wedding anniversary of Stanley & Marion Krakowski, a contribution has been given to:

Debt Reduction fund by: Stanley & Marion Krakowski

For the 50th Wedding Anniversary of Charles & Grace Wolf,

a contribution has been given to:

New Building Fund by: Tony & Lois
Bellhorn, and Duane & Ruthann Bettcher

Thank You—St. Peter College Scholarship Fund

The St. Peter College Scholarship Fund is pleased to present a total of \$6,000 to each of our synodical college students for the 2025-26 school year. The total amount of \$18,000 includes \$8,000 from the Myron Luchtman Endowment Fund. Our synodical students this year are:

- Anastasia Brown Junior, Concordia University, Wisconsin
- Mackenzie Schepmann Sophomore, Concordia University, Seward, NE
- Gabe Murray Sophomore, Concordia University, St. Paul, MN

Your contributions, thank offerings, memorials and estate plans given to this fund, make it possible for these students to continue their preparation for full-time church work. Please remember to pray for them as they prepare to do God's work.

Connection

For more information about all current and upcoming Bible studies and small groups, please visit stpetermacomb.com.



Bible Studies:

God's Word for Today Bible Study You are invited to attend this Sunday morning Bible study at 9:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Paul's letter to the Ephesians is about the church and about the fellowship of believers who make up the church. It is about us, for by faith we are the church in our time and place. We, by God's grace, are part of God's family – a family united in Christ and sustained by the Holy Spirit.

Moms (& Women) In Prayer Moms...and women! Join us each week as we pray for our children, schools, and community. Groups meet Mondays from 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. (Zoom) and Wednesdays from 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. (Zoom). Please contact Kelly Chirco (kellychirco@comcast.net) or Nicki Wargo (nwargo@splcs.net) for more information.

Wednesday Women In The Word Be led by the Spirit, Nourished by the Word and supportive of one another. Join us each Wednesday. 9:30-11:00 AM. We meet In the Fellowship Hall - Enter Door 1 - South/ East entrance area. Questions? Contact Karen Gluski at (586) 207-6201 or rkgluski2@gmail.com.

Foundations: Miracles Led by Chris Oberly. Sunday mornings, 9:30 a.m. (Room 29)

Creation/New Creation Led by Charlie & Grace Wolf. Sunday mornings, 9:30 a.m. (Administrative Conference Room) Beginning October 5.

S.A.L.T. (Seasoned Adults Living Triumphantly) is a Bible study for those ages 55+ on Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. The S.A.L.T. group engages in Bible studies and other events throughout the year.

Sunday School St. Peter SONdays. Cool! Kids 3 years (potty-trained) - 6th grade (including additional support for kids with special needs) learn more about Jesus...the SON of God...our Savior! Sundays from 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Questions about St. Peter SONdays (Sunday School)? Please contact Mrs. Nicki Wargo at nwargo@splcs.net.



Men's Bible Breakfast Led by Erv Aufdemberge. Tuesdays at 7:00 a.m. (Country Inn Restaurant - 23 Mile and Romeo Plank)

Congratulations to Pastor Kurt Wenzelburger for being named one of the recipients of the 2025 Fr. John Zwers Award by the Michigan Association of Non-public Schools (MANS).

The MANS Board of Trustees chose to honor him for his strong history of support for faith-based schools, his ability to articulate the importance of our faith-based schools, and his continuous leadership to the St. Peter Lutheran Church & School community, parents, teachers, and students.

Fr. John B. Zwers was a founding member of MANS and served faithfully on the MANS Board until his death. Fr. John was never hesitant to speak his mind and was always willing to offer his help and advice with a warm and loving smile.

Congratulations, again, on this well-deserved award, Pastor Wenzelburger!

STEPHEN MINISTRY If you've turned 80+ years or celebrated 50+ years of marriage, you have maybe received in the mail a beautiful hand-made card (thanks to Rosemary) signed by a Stephen Minister. That is one of the projects taken on by our Stephen Ministry. But that's NOT what we are trained for. We Stephen Ministers have had extensive instruction in being listeners— people who really do listen and who reflect and empathize. If you are confronted with a tangled situation and you want to talk and maybe even vent and certainly be heard, please consider enlisting the help of a confidential Stephen Minister. Contact the church office or Linda Dunklau at (586) 247-5329 for more information or to be partnered with a brother or sister in Christ.

The Charge Men's Conference Let's go men! A weekend men's conference is being planned from Friday evening, October 10, through Sunday morning, October 12, at Michigan Christian Youth Camp in Attica, MI. Men from St. Peter, Immanuel and Trinity, Utica are gathering for a weekend of encouragement, equipping, conversation, connection, food and fun. Each church will be presenting a topic to help us "man up" as we follow Jesus more fully and become better spiritual leaders. Please, join us and let's CHARGE UP and CHARGE FORWARD with Christ. Details about cost, how to register, etc. available at stpetermacomb.com. Call or text Pastor Ken at (586) 871-4891 if you have any questions.

LGBT Family and Friends Support Group: Do you have a family member, loved one, or have an acquaintance with someone who is not engaging in a relationship by God's design? Do you struggle with how to interact with them, not wanting to judge others but to show God's love and just meet them where they are at? Then the Family and Friends of LGBT Support Group is for you! We will meet tentatively on the third Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m. in the Small Conference Room in the Administration Wing. For questions, please call Carol Poterek at (586) 566-3785.

Quilters The quilting group is always in need of clean sheets, cotton and flannel along with any new material. They meet on Monday mornings at 9:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall (north). They also have packets of quilts squares available for anyone that would like to sew from home. Donations can be dropped off in the Coat Room in the Narthex and packs of quilt squares to sew are available there. Please call Bonnie Williams with any questions (248) 790-2664.

Men's Ministry Monthly Men's Gatherings will be held the 3rd Monday of each month. We will meet at the Hamlin Pub (Van Dyke and 25 mile) at 7:00 p.m. You are invited to join us for a time of "Connection and Conversation." Questions? Contact Pastor Ken at kwise@splcs.net or (586) 871 -4891.

GriefShare The latest 13-week session of GriefShare began in early September. If you are grieving the loss of a dear loved one, or you know someone who is, please consider joining us. Our dedicated facilitators would love to walk with you on your journey from mourning to joy. Through the workbook, videos and discussion the healing process begins. We meet on Tuesday evenings at 6:30 p.m. and repeat the same lesson on Thursday mornings at 10:00 a.m. We meet in the Fellowship Hall (north). Please enter through Door #1. If you have questions, please call the Church Office at (586) 781-3434 or Darcel Bennett at (586) 255-7090. You may also visit the GriefShare website at griefshare.org.

DivorceCare and DC4K If you have struggled through a divorce or separation in your marriage or know someone who has, please consider joining us for DivorceCare on Tuesday evenings at 6:45 p.m. in the Art Room (formerly Large Conference Room) in the Office, accessed through Door #28. Meetings continue until December 9. Each week provides a different and stand-alone topic of care and concern for those who have been or are divorced or separated. Topics include Deep Hurt, Road to Recovery, Anger, Grief and Depression, Loneliness, Fears and Anxiety, Family and Friends, Financial and Legal Issues, Conflict, Forgiveness, Your Former Spouse, Single Living, and Brighter Days. Each topic includes a video, workbook, and time for discussion. To register or for more information please go to DivorceCare.org and search for St. Peter Macomb or contact Anne Westphal at awestphal56@hotmail.com or by phone (248) 909-4230.

October Women's Ministry Invitation

When: Thursday, October 9

9:30 a.m. – Fellowship and refreshments

10:00 a.m. - Meeting begins

Where: Fellowship Hall (south end)

Activity: Getting to Know our Pastors ... Even Better

Come and join us for some "pastor trivia" (and a few laughs, I'm sure). You will likely learn some things about our pastors that maybe you never knew before! Come and show your appreciation for them as we recognize "Pastor Appreciation Month."

We will also be making plans for the October Pie/Bake Sale.

LWML Sunday is traditionally celebrated each year on the first Sunday in October.

WHO WE ARE—The Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML) is an official auxiliary of the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod. Since 1942, the LWML has focused on affirming each woman's relationship with Christ, encouraging and equipping women to live out their Christian lives in active mission ministries and to support global missions.

Our Mission Statement: As Lutheran Women in Mission, we joyfully proclaim Christ, support missions, and equip women to honor God by serving others.

Our Vision: the LWML is the leading group for LCMS women where each woman is welcomed and encouraged to use her unique God-given gifts as she supports global missions and serves the Lord with gladness.

Our Beliefs: As an auxiliary of the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod, our beliefs are in line with the statements found on the LCMS website at lcms.org/about/beliefs.

Our Objectives: Mission Education, Mission Inspiration, Mission Service, Financial Grants for Mission needs.

Our Motto: Serve the LORD with gladness (Psalm 100:2)

In 1999 the Ladies Aid and LWML organizations here at St. Peter formed one group. All ladies are welcome to come to St. Peter Women's Ministry meetings the second Thursday in October and find out more of what we do to fulfill these objectives and have fun and fellowship as well!

Thank you, Joyce Schwark, St. Peter LWML Representative.

From the Parish Health Team:

EXERCISE OPPORTUNITIES

Come and join us!

Stay Healthy Exercise

Join some spiritual men and women in a morning of exercise and motivation. People of all ages are welcome and can benefit. Deb, our instructor, tailors the class to the audience. We work on our hearts, minds, and souls as we stretch, lift weights, and raise our heart rate slowly through low impact, easy to follow movements. Grab water, weights (2 to 5 pounds), and a mat, and join us each **Monday morning from 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.** We will help you feel better from your head to your toes! Classes are \$5/session on a drop-in basis and are held in the Church Narthex. Enter through Door #1 on the southeast side of the church. Contact Paula for more information hoegemeyer@att.net or (586) 322-2319.

Christian Yoga

Come join us for a faith filled gentle yoga experience. Becky will guide us through prayerful meditation, stretching, and postures, embracing our mind, body, and spirit that God has given to us. All ages are welcome! Bring a yoga mat, water, and a joyful spirit for this class that will meet every **Thursday from 4:15 p.m.** The cost is \$10/session drop in. Classes are held in the Church Narthex. Enter through Door #1 on the southeast side of the church. Contact Paula for more information hoegemeyer@att.net or (586) 322-2319.

FLU VACCINATION CLINIC - MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

St. Peter, in conjunction with CVS Pharmacy, is hosting a flu vaccination clinic on Sunday, October 5 from 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Location: St. Peter Kaiser Hall – Enter Door #12

Scan the QR code or go to stpetermacomb.com to register.

Bring your insurance card or voucher when you come. Limited walk-ins are also welcome.

As we continue to deal with COVID-19 variants, it is more important than ever to be protected against influenza. Everyone 6 months of age and older should get a flu vaccination every season. Influenza (the flu) is a contagious respiratory illness caused by influenza viruses. It can cause mild to severe illness, and at times can lead to death. Some people, including older people, young children, and people with certain health conditions, are at a higher risk for serious flu complications. The best way to prevent the flu is by getting vaccinated each year. The flu vaccine viruses are attenuated (weakened), and therefore cannot cause flu illness.

Please contact Paula at (586) 322-2319 or hoegemeyer@att.net for more information.



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Day 1: Depart your group's location in a spacious, video and restroom equipped Motorcoach, enjoying the great scenery along the way. Then, settle into a comfortable en route hotel for a good night's rest.

Day 2: After a Continental Breakfast, head to the Spurlock Museum at the University of Illinois in Urbana. Later in the day, enjoy Dinner and check into your en route hotel.

Day 3: Today you'll enjoy a Continental Breakfast, then make a stop at the Arkansas Arts Center in Little Rock -- Arkansas' leading cultural institution. Later that day, after a relaxing Dinner, you'll check into your en route hotel.

Day 4: Today after Continental Breakfast, you'll continue towards beautiful San Antonio, TX – Home of the Alamo! Later that day, enjoy a relaxing Dinner and check into your San Antonio area hotel for a 4-night stay.

Day 5: After enjoying a Continental Breakfast, your adventure begins with a GUIDED TOUR OF SAN ANTONIO. The tour includes visits to San Fernando Cathedral, the King William Historical District, and El Mercado, an area patterned after an authentic Mexican market. This afternoon, with a guide, you will enjoy a visit to the enchanting Japanese Tea Garden, a beloved jewel in San Antonio's cultural landscape. Then, you'll enjoy a relaxing Dinner, then head to the famous RIVER WALK for a SCENIC CRUISE!

Day 6: Enjoy a Continental Breakfast before departing to meet your guide and head for Fredericksburg, "Jewel of the Texas Hill Country." Start with a visit to the NATIONAL MUSEUM OF THE PACIFIC WAR, including the George Bush Gallery. Here, visitors become quickly engaged in the personal stories of Americans from all branches of the military involved in the Pacific Theatre of World War II. Then, depart for the Lyndon B. Johnson National Historical Park where you will go on a narrated driving TOUR OF THE LBJ RANCH. This

evening, enjoy a lovely Dinner complete with entertainment.

Day 7: Start the day with a Continental Breakfast. Afterwards, depart for a visit to the SAN ANTONIO MISSIONS NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK. Experience the "Queen of the Missions" - Mission San Jose, established in 1720. Later, go to the IMAX Theatre at San Antonio Rivercenter to see "ALAMO ... The Price of Freedom." Then, stand where history took place when you visit the buildings and grounds of the ALAMO - "The Shrine of Liberty." This evening, you will relax and enjoy Dinner.

Day 8: Enjoy a Continental Breakfast at your hotel before leaving for the Magnolia Market at the Silos in Waco, TX. Later that day, after a relaxing Dinner, you'll check into your en route hotel.

Day 9: After Continental Breakfast, head for Little Rock, AR, former home of President Bill Clinton, for a visit to the William J. Clinton Presidential Library. The library contains nearly 2 million photographs and over 75,000 museum artifacts. That night, enjoy Dinner and check into your en route hotel.

Day 10: Today, you'll enjoy a Continental Breakfast, then visit the Sikeston Depot Museum, in Sikeston, MO, a museum of local history and culture built inside a historic train depot. Tonight, rest in your en route hotel.

Day 11: Today, after enjoying a Continental Breakfast, you will depart for home... a perfect time to chat with your friends about all the fun things you've done, the great sights you've seen, and where your next group trip will take you!

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We are back in the swing of things and getting back to our regularly scheduled programming! Super excited to be back in the newly updated His Rock building! Here are some things coming up!

SUNDAY RECHARGE: October 5, 12, & 19, 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. at His Rock. A time to hang out with your friends, play games, enjoy snacks and have time with Jesus too!

TRUNK OR TREAT-SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26: We plan to host a few trunks again like last year and pass out snacks. TBD watch for more updates

MORNING MEET UP: Once a month, we meet at 6:30 a.m. for breakfast at His Rock. Next is October 23!

SENIOR HIGH MI DISTRICT YOUTH GATHERING: June 28-July 1, 2026. Mission Point Resort on Mackinac Island. Speakers, Music, Servant Event and more for kids entering 9th grade to graduated seniors. Theme: Mighty Waters

MORE INFORMATION ON THE WAY!



A HUGE THANK YOU to the Wink family for donating delicious snacks for Recharge! Thank you to the Sarconis for helping with the first Morning Meet up breakfast!

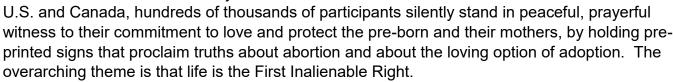
SIGN UP FOR CAMP SPRING HILL! February 13-15, 2026. Watch for the official sign up in the next few weeks.

Keep up with Student Ministries on Facebook and The Band App!

Life Team

LIFE TEAM SPOTLIGHT ON LIFE CHAIN SUNDAY -Oct 5th

October 5h is Life Chain Sunday. Across the

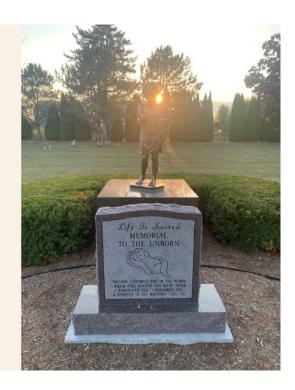


Our Life team is hosting our annual Life Chain Sunday event on Sunday October 5th. We will be holding our signs and silently, prayerfully and peacefully witnessing our pro-life support. The event is from 1PM – 2PM. Would you prayerfully consider joining us in the dedication and Life Chain event? We have plenty of signs to go around and it is a wonderful way to proclaim our pro-life

stance in these troubling times.

The Life Team would like to thank Hauss-Modetz Funeral Home and Glen Eden East Lutheran Memorial Park for funding and providing a beautiful memorial to the unborn.

"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations." Jeremiah 1:5



For Life Team questions, comments, or concerns, please contact Carol at (586) 321-9500 or carolpoterek@gmail.com.

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HISTORY CORNER



It is important to remember that St. Peter History is not meant to show how great St. Peter is, but how amazing God is as He works through His Word and Sacraments among us. History is His story. Our History is a Ministry that proclaims His great deeds to future generations.

We have spent this year featuring the history of the pipe organs at St. Peter. Now we would like to give thanks to the organist that have made those pipe organs come alive:

- W. Danker
- Christian Kaiser
- John Weber
- Linda Weber
- George Roggatz
- Rosalie Neumeyer
- Diane Mogan
- Jan Schwark
- Sheryl Gaiser
- Erv Aufdemberge
- Ed Dunklau
- Terry Fiebelkorn
- Lori Stolzenfeld
- Irene Beethe
- Mark Schultz
- Charles Russell



(Erv Aufdemberge, Ed Dunklau, Terry Fiebelkorn, Lori Stolzenfeld, Jan Schwark)



Rev. Kurt Wenzelburger Senior Pastor



Rev. Dante Pronsati
Associate Pastor



Mr. Charles Russell Traditional Worship Director



Mrs. Angela Schepmann Student Ministry Assistant



Mrs. Nicki Wargo School Ministry & Sunday School Director



Mr. Robert W. Costa

Modern Worship &

Communications Director

Mrs. Sandra LaPerriere

Principal



Mr. Steve Ameel Assistant Principal



Mrs. Robyn Adams
Early Childhood Director

ST. PETER'S VALUES

Our Mission Statement:

To glorify God by making and growing disciples of Jesus

Christ

Matthew 28:19-20

Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you.

And behold, I am with you always, to the end of age.

Articles for **November Keynotes** must be submitted <u>before 4:00 p.m. on October 15</u>. **Please submit all articles for consideration by email** to Allison Costa at acosta@splcs.net.

All submissions should include your contact information. Please submit articles without formatting (table, text boxes, etc.) in a Word document. Thank you!



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Worship Service Times:

Saturday 6:00 p.m. Traditional Sunday 8:00 a.m. Traditional Sunday 9:30 a.m. Traditional Sunday 11:00 a.m. Modern

Please visit **StPeterMacomb.com** to see other opportunities to worship through Sunday School, Bible studies, small groups and more!

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